

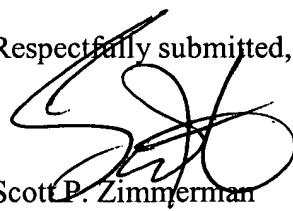
REMARKS

The Assignee respectfully requests entry of the above preliminary claim amendments. The Assignee respectfully submits that the amended claims are in condition for allowance.

Extra Claim Fee

The Assignee also includes a check for \$156. The total number of claims is now twenty four (24), requiring an excess claim fee of \$72 ($4 \times \$18 = \72). The total number of independent claims is four (4), so a fee of \$86 is also required. Thus, the total excess claim fee is \$156.

If any questions arise, the Office is requested to contact the undersigned at (919) 387-6907 or scott@scottzimmerman.com.

Respectfully submitted,

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